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**Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes**  
August 18, 2015

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of Maine statute 12 M.R.S.A., Chapter 607, Section 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 19-A, Upper New Meadows River (Bath to Harpswell): This notice clarifies the Prohibited area in Back Cove due point source pollution identified during shoreline survey work. All existing pollution and red tide/PSP closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

A. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following areas:

1. Upper New Meadows Marsh (Brunswick and Bath): north of the Old Bath Road/Old Brunswick Road.
2. Northeast corner of Upper New Meadows Lake (West Bath): east of a line running south from the New Meadows Lake boat ramp, located on Old Brunswick Road, to a small, unnamed point of land, approximately 150 feet south of the boat ramp.
3. The New Meadows River (Brunswick and West Bath): south of a line beginning at the north tip of Rosedale Point (West Bath) then running southwest to a large stone and wood crib dock on the west shore (Brunswick); AND north of a line beginning at the southern end of Rosedale Point approximately 110 yards southwest from the end of Kings Point Rd then running northwest to a red painted post on the opposite shore.
4. Back Cove (West Bath): north of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the southern-most point of land in northwestern Back Cove then running east to a point of land on the opposite shore approximately 70 yards south from the end of Teresa Drive.

B. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following areas. These areas are classified as Restricted and harvest requires a special MDMR permit:

1. Kings Point (West Bath): East a line beginning at the southern end of Rosedale Point approximately 110 yards southwest from the end of Kings Point Rd then running southeast to a red painted post on the opposite shore.
2. New Meadows River (West Bath): east of a line beginning at a dock/pier located the end of Rock Haven Drive then running north to a red painted post located on the shore of the western most point of land at the north end of an unnamed cove.
3. Back Cove (West Bath): west of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the tip of the most south and western point of land in Back Cove then running north to a red painted post located on the southern-most point of land on the opposite shore.

C. Effective immediately, because of seasonal intermittent pollution due to rainfall the shores flats and waters of the following areas are classified as Conditionally Approved and shall be closed to the harvest of clams, quahogs, oysters and mussels when rainfall meets or exceeds 1" within a 24 period from June 1 through September 30. **Please refer to the Statewide Conditional Area Closure Notice on the DMR website:** [http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public\\_health/closures/closedarea.htm](http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public_health/closures/closedarea.htm) for open/closed status.

1. Mill Cove (West Bath): north and east of a line beginning on the southern shore of Mill Cove, approximately 50 yards north of the end of Fierce Road then running northwest to a red painted post located on the shore of the southern tip of an unnamed island, then continuing from the northernmost tip of the unnamed island east to a red painted post approximately 100 yards north of the end of Winter Point.
2. Long Cove (West Bath): north of a line beginning at a red painted post on the east shore of Long Cove, approximately 350 yards north of the tip of Winter Point, then running east to the opposite shore.

D. New Meadows River (West Bath): south of the Central Maine Railroad trestle; AND north of a line beginning at the north tip of Rosedale Point (West Bath) then running southwest to a large stone and wood crib dock on the west shore (Brunswick) are classified as Conditionally Approved, and shall be closed to the harvest of clams, quahogs, oysters and mussels from May 1 through November 15.

E. Effective immediately, because of seasonal intermittent pollution the shores flats and waters of the following areas are classified as Conditionally Approved and shall be closed to the harvest of clams, quahogs, oysters and mussels from June 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>; Doughty Cove (Harpwell): south of a line beginning at the northern most tip of Doughty Point running east to southwest side of the Gurnet bridge.

If you have questions, please contact Angel Ripley or Kohl Kanwit, Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9515 or (207) 633-9535, Email: [angel.ripley@maine.gov](mailto:angel.ripley@maine.gov) or [kohl.kanwit@maine.gov](mailto:kohl.kanwit@maine.gov). During **weekends/holidays**, contact the appropriate State Police barracks: from New Hampshire border to Brunswick, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from Belfast to Canadian border, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department's website at: [http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public\\_health/closures/closedarea.htm](http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public_health/closures/closedarea.htm) . This information is also recorded on our HOTLINE (207-624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).

Sincerely,



Alison Sirois  
Commissioner's Designee – Shellfish Growing Area Program Supervisor

10:30 AM

(Effective Time)



# Maine Department of Marine Resources

## Pollution Area No. 19-A



Upper New Meadows River (Bath to Harpswell)

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